

Municipality of Central Manitoulin
Safety, Security and Health Committee Minutes
August 20th, 2019

Attending: Chairperson Councillor S. Shaffer, Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors A. Johnston, D. Stephens, L. Farquhar, A. Tribinevicius and D. Scott, Fire Chief John Reid and one staff member. 14 members of the community and 1 member of the media were also present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

MOTION: D. Stephens and R. Stephens

That the agenda be approved as presented...carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

MOTION: A. Johnston and L. Farquhar

That the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Security, Health and Education Committee held on May 21st, 2019 be approved with one amendment as follows, the statement that the Little Current location for the Northwood Clinic is scheduled to close is incorrect and should be omitted from the minutes...carried.

There were three delegations regarding the possible location of the Northwood Recovery Clinic. First to speak was Kelly Gratton who spoke to the close proximity of the proposed Clinic to her residence. She was concerned for her personal safety, the repercussions on the community and the lack of privacy for the clients that would be using the Clinic. Next to speak was Guy Nielen who spoke to his concern for the affect the Clinic could have on businesses and property values. Lastly Maja Mielonen spoke to the community's image and the affect a Clinic in the downtown core would have on the tourism and the local business community.

A discussion was held after the delegations where Chairperson Councillor Stephen Shaffer gave a detailed account of the meeting with the representative from Northwood Recovery Clinic at the previous Safety Security and Health meeting. Councillor Shaffer made it clear that the committee had indicated that it unanimously agreed that the Credit Union building was not an ideal location for the Clinic. The committee expressed to the representative of the Clinic, the Credit Union location would not protect the potential clients' privacy and would have a negative impact on the downtown. Other locations were discussed including Mindemoya Central Family Health Team at the hospital. The committee could not support The Credit Union building location but encouraged the Clinic to investigate other potential locations and to continue the discussion once more information can be provided. Councillor Shaffer allowed others in attendance to discuss and ask questions for clarification and community input.

Old Business

- a) The Memorandum from Ray McPherson, Chief Building Official, regarding the Manitoulin Planning Board correspondence on the Zoning of the Credit Union Building was

discussed. The building is zoned as Commercial and not institutional, so if the Clinic were to move there it would require a change in zoning. The process of zoning changes was discussed.

b) The email from the Manitoulin Central Family Health Unit regarding the meeting with Northwood Recovery Clinic was discussed. The meeting could not take place but has been postponed until a later date. Lori Oswald, the Executive Director of the Manitoulin Central Family Health Team requested to speak at the next committee meeting in order to update the team's position on the Clinic.

c) The Strategic Plan was the next item to be discussed. There is a meeting at 9:30 am on Thursday August 22nd, 2019, to discuss future physician recruitment with Manitoulin Island Clinician Recruitment & Retention Committee. Councillor Shaffer will attend.

MOTION: R. Stephens and A. Johnston

That we recommend to Council that a representative of the Committee be in attendance for the Community Safety and Wellness Plan workshop that will take place September 12th, 2019...carried.

The Community Safety and Well-being Program was further discussed regarding a Pamphlet that was provided by the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Health Board.

The email regarding the update on the No Parking painting at the corner of Highways 551 and 542 was discussed. It was noted there is a No Parking sign that has been damaged and is not pointing in the correct direction.

MOTION: S. Shaffer and D. Stephens

That we recommend to Council that a request to correct the position of the no parking signage at the corner in front of Island Outfitters be made to EMCON...carried.

New Business

a) The email indicating that the Municipality is in compliance with the EMCPA mandate was discussed. Special thanks to the Emergency Management team was offered for their work on this initiative.

b) The invitation to the Manitoulin Centennial Manor's annual meeting was accepted. Either Mayor Stephen's or Councilor Shaffer will attend.

c) The letter from the Sudbury and District Public Health regarding Transforming Public Health for the People of Northeast Ontario was discussed for informational purposes.

MOTION: D. Stephens and R. Stephens

That we recommend to Council that the minutes from the Joint Health and Safety committee meeting from July 31st, 2019 be accepted...carried.

MOTION: R. Stephens and D. Stephens

That we accept the Animal Control Reports for April, May, June and July 2019...carried

The Fire Chief gave his verbal report. He indicated there were only 2 calls since the last meeting. 1 was a false alarm and the other a campfire that started to spread. He also indicated that the new Compressor is in and will be installed September 11th, 2019.

MOTION: L. Farquhar and R. Stephens

That we accept the Fire Chief's verbal report...carried.

MOTION: D. Stephens and R. Stephens

That we recommend to Council to accept the year to date financial report for the Safety, Security and Health Committee for the period ending on July 31st, 2019...carried.

The meeting was adjourned by Councillor Linda Farquhar at 8:15 p.m.